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Success Is ...

defined by Webster as the gaining of something desired, planned, or attempted.

Many times, Broome Community College, Broome Tech, or State Tech proved to be the "launching pad" for those dreams which led to achievement and fulfillment.

The following pages contain just a few of the "success stories" which have been relayed to the BCC Alumni Office over the past few months.

For each of you with a story to tell, success has been defined in a very "personal" way. And ironically, the greatest successes followed periods of discouragement, insecurity, or fear.

In Farewell to Arms, Ernest Hemingway said, "The World Breaks Everyone And Afterward Some Are Strong At the Broken Places".

May the many stories within this issue inspire you, challenge you, and fill you with the Springtime of Hope!

Michael Coppola, President of Meson Industries and BCC President Donald Dellow exchange mementos.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT BCC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

In September of 1992, I was elected to serve as President of the BCC Alumni Association. We began the year with eight new Board members, a new Director, and a challenge to grow and innovate.

In late September we began a strategic planning process to provide focus and direction for the organization. The major goals taking shape parallel Broome Community College's goals of Access, Diversity, Quality, Community, Resources, and Governance.

Although we genuinely believe that the Association should sponsor activities such as social activities, reunions, and alumni sports activities; it is our primary desire to grow in number and to strengthen alumni ties to the College in the sponsorship of an environment of excellence. Our role is to motivate BCC alumni toward the lifelong process of learning and toward a commitment to BCC.

Sincerely,

Gary B. Finch

Gary B. Finch
President

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"The Electrical Engineering Technology Program at BCC turns out students who are prepared to hit the ground running. When we look for a four-year degree engineer, I want one who has a two-year degree from BCC."

President Michael Coppola is a man who knows exactly what he wants. Whether talking about his days at Broome Community College as a student, his plans for Meson Design & Development, or about his family whose pictures cover the walls of his office, it is obvious that this is a man with confidence, energy, and commitment.

Mike's success story is a fascinating one. After receiving an Electrical Engineering Technology degree from BCC in 1978, he went on to the Rochester Institute of Technology, where he received a Bachelor's degree in 1981. He finished at RIT on a Friday and was working as an instructor in BCC's Electrical Engineering Technology Program on Monday! At the same time, he began working toward his Masters Degree and became a part-time consultant. Mike's Master's research was in Optical Waveguides and he received his Master's in Applied Physics from Binghamton University. As Mike's consulting work expanded, he joined forces with partner John Gosart and Meson Design & Development was born. A "meson" is a sub-atomic particle in physics.

Meson's business profile has evolved into four distinct but interrelated businesses: Meson Fiber Optics, Meson Communication Supply, Meson Network Services, and Telestar Communication Services. Meson Fiber Optics designs and manufacturers communication and fiber optic test equipment, electro-optic and data and telecommunications products, and has an OEM Electronic/Electro-Optic Engineering & Product Development Department. Meson Communication Supply is a distributor of fiber optic and communication equipment, hardware, components and supplies, while Meson Network Services maintains an excellent reputation as a first class telecommunications installation company. MNS installs fiber optic, microwave, cellular, and Broadcast/CATV/CCTV systems, as well as local area networks and satellite earth stations. Telestar Communication Services is an Engineer, Furnish, and Install approved contractor for New York Telephone and specializes in central office network monitoring and alarm systems.

With a staff of 23 full and part-time employees who are all BCC alumni or students, Meson has experienced phenomenal growth. Serving clients throughout the U.S. and Europe, in 1991 they grew by 20%, 30% in 1992, and are projected to double in 1993. Meson is on the way to becoming recognized as a leader in the fiber-optic and telecommunications industry.

Mike has assembled a team of "very dedicated individuals who are all involved in the day-to-day decisions of the company." When asked about his leadership style, Mike says, "I'm not your typical 'boss'. Our boss is the customer. My role is to focus energy in a certain direction. Like a funnel, all of our energies are put in one end and I make sure they get out the other in a focused stream."

Mike's memories of BCC include how closely students and teachers worked together. "You were treated as a person and the teachers were genuinely committed to making you succeed."

Michael Coppola is also committed to building success within others. And he is committed in many ways to BCC. His staff consists largely of BCC alumni from a variety of campus programs. And he's back on campus this semester to teach!

Thank you, Mike, for bringing Meson to the Southern Tier!

Dr. Dellow, Mike Coppola, and Lisa Sollitto, Meson Engineer, take a break from a busy day to pose for our cameras!

Success Stories...

Frances Adornato, a 1986 BCC graduate who majored in communications, is an entertainer. Her music ranges from Top 40, jazz, country, rhythm and blues, rock, and originals.

She sang with local bands in the Triple Cities including Mass Transit, Sugar-n-Spice and Spice of Life. She recently worked with the Bobby Ryder and Casablanca band at the Hilton Resort in Hilton Head, and The Brassy and Chadwicks' in Florida. Frances has also fronted for the Terry Moretti Showband at Caesar's Resorts and entertained on the Royal Caribbean Cruise Line. Frances is currently performing with the Phylip Jaymes Project in Washington, D.C. and will be soon leaving for a tour of Japan and Europe for the Spring and Summer of 1993.

Many BCC Alumni and Faculty know **Dr. Thomas Kubala, ET'58**. While recently speaking with Dr. Kubala we learned that since February, 1992, he has been serving as President of Delaware Technical and Community College, a system serving the entire state of Delaware with four campuses and over 36,000 students. Dr. Kubala says about his success, "Broome got me started on the right track. My professors were kind, helpful mentors. Then these mentors later became my peers. I learned a tremendous amount while studying and while teaching at BCC!".

After graduating from BCC, Dr. Kubala worked locally at Link for six months, transferred to RIT for his B.S. in Electrical Engineering, and returned to BCC, where he taught for over six years. He was then appointed Director of the Engineering Program at Anne Arundel Community College in Arnold, Maryland and, after eleven years, left as Dean of that College.

His career continued to skyrocket. He served as President of Thomas Nelson Community College in Hampton, Virginia for over seven years and moved on to the role of SUNY Central's head of the Office of Community Colleges. During that time he also was Deputy to the Chancellor for Community Colleges.

Tom holds a Masters of Science from SUNY Oswego and an ED.D. from the University of Maryland and has received the honor "Distinguished SUNY Graduate of Education". Tom, and his wife Pauline, who is also an educator, reside in Wyoming, Delaware.

Their daughters Diane and Renee are married with families. Dr. Kubala says he has the opportunity to keep in touch with BCC through contact with BCC President Dr. Dellow. They serve together on the Board of Community Colleges for International Development (C.C.I.D.).

Ronald Stemphoski started in the Pre-Technical Program in 1963. He remembers thinking that, "...the odds of success were not high but somehow with the help of many at BCC I made it through the Program." I learned about discipline, dedication, and the joy of learning. BCC gave me the confidence and strength to seek challenge."

In 1966, after earning his A.A.S., he transferred to Southern Illinois University where he earned a B.S. degree. Returning to Binghamton, Ron joined NYSEG as a marketing representative and held a series of human resource positions including Corporate Human Resources Managership. During this time, he was asked to teach in an adjunct capacity in the School of General Studies at Binghamton University. He taught for ten years in the business field.

In 1983, Ron became Vice President for Human Resources at Lourdes Hospital and restructured their program. In 1987, he joined Diversified Health Search in Philadelphia as Executive Vice- President.

"Once again", Ron relates, "I was fortunate to be involved in a building opportunity that has turned out not only to be professionally challenging but also quite successful. The is no questioin n my mind that BCC was a major influence as my career took form. Without BCC - who knows?"

Ron lives in Wyncote, Pennsylvania with his wife Cheryl, and two children, Amy and Mark.

Healthcare System "Fragile, Structureless" Says Assemblyman

James R. Tallon Delivers John H. Van Gorden Lecture at BCC

by Roger Hartman, BCC Foundation

The healthcare delivery system in the U.S. is broken, says New York State Assemblyman James R. Tallon, and a major conflict between what Americans want and what they trust government to deliver is a stumbling block to its being fixed.

"Economics and Ethics of Health Care Decisions" was the title of Assemblyman Tallon's lecture, delivered at BCC. It was the third John H. Van Gorden Lecture given since 1990. Assemblyman Tallon, Majority Leader and 124th District representative, spoke on an area of his particular expertise - health care - before about 100 students and faculty. The lecture was preceded by a dinner hosted by BCC President Donald A. Dellow.

Assemblyman Tallon said that healthcare, which represents about 12% of the U.S. Gross National Product, is having a negative impact on the economy. He says that it is particularly destructive to America's ability to compete globally considering that the percentage of GNP devoted to healthcare among chief competitors is closer to 6%. He said that a recent study projected that without correcting the system these costs would escalate to 20% of GNP by the year 2,000- and will absorb all salary and wage increases made between now and then. "The conflict between Americans' basic philosophy of individualism, with its inherent distrust of healthcare program causes a dilemma," said the Assemblyman. "We must come up with a policy that addresses both."

The John H. Van Gorden Lecture Series, administered by the BCC Foundation, is made possible by major gifts to endowment from Mr. Van Gorden and matched the IBM Corporation. Since Assemblyman Tallon's lecture, both the John H. Van Gorden Endowment Fund and Emma P. Van Gorden Endowment Fund - established by Mrs. Van Gorden - have been merged. The income from the new Fund will be used to assist all Foundation programs designed for students, including the continuation of the Lecture Series and Scholarships in Nursing. The latter is of particular interest to Mrs. Van Gorden.

Mr. Van Gorden is a retired executive from IBM. Mr. and Mrs. Van Gorden, who were long-time residents of Binghamton, now reside most of the year in Florida.

Success Is... Civic Pride

Broome Community College is please to have many leaders in government among our alumni ranks. We are proud to share some of the accomplishments of the following BCC Alumni:

SENATOR THOMAS LIBOUS (BT'73) was reelected to the New York State Senate with over 87,000 votes in Broome, Tioga, and Chenango Counties in November, 1992.

Completing his second two year term, Senator Libous is actively involved in a number of State Senate activities. As Chairman of the Senate's Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Committee, he's worked hard to toughen DWI laws, curb underage drinking, and strengthen treatment for alcohol and drug abusers.

This year he will work to pass legislation to increase the penalties for adults who supply minors with large quantities of alcohol to help stop "keg parties." He'll also continue to oversee the consolidation of the Division of Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse and the Division of Substance Abuse Services into a single agency; the Office of Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse (OASAS). Legislation sponsored by the Senator completed this merger in 1992.

As Chairman of the Senate's Select Committee on the Disabled, Senator Libous will continue to work to provide increased opportunities for persons with disabilities. One of his priorities during this term will be the creation of a Head Injury Institute within the Department of Health to coordinate head injury programs.

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TRIP TO TORONTO!

The BCC Alumni Association is pleased to announce that a three-day trip to Toronto is being offered for October 9, 10, and 11, 1993. (Columbus Day Holiday Weekend)

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Saturday, October 9

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Sunday, October 10

Guided Tour of Toronto and CNN Tower — ***Free.***

Afternoon — Shopping Available at World Famous "Harborfront Quay."

Monday, October 11

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BCC AND THE DECKER FOUNDATION ARE WINNERS!

The G. Clifford and Florence B. Decker Foundation's million dollar grant to the BCC Foundation has made us all winners including the Decker Foundation. In December, the Decker Foundation was honored in Washington, D. C. as the recipient of an award from the American Association of Community College's fund-raising arm the National Council for Resource Development.

BCC nominated the Decker Foundation because it had recognize a regional need for upgraded educational facilities at the College dedicated to the seven allied health profession programs such as nursing, dental hygiene, x-ray tech, etc. A million dollars from the Decker Foundation resulted in an additional $500,000 in private funds plus $8.5 million in public funding to build a new BCC Health Sciences Building.

BCC's President, Donald A. Dellow said, "Its especially pleasing to have been able to show our gratitude to the Decker Foundation by having them win a national award."

Doug Johnson, Ferris Akel, Donna Bechdel, and Dr. Dellow receive the award in Washington, DC.

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Success Is... Serving Your Community

When Joseph Sinchak was five months old, his father died. As young Joseph grew up he would frequently look with pride at this father's photograph in a Broome Tech yearbook which his mother had saved. His father had graduated from Broome Tech with a degree in Electrical Engineering Technology.

Joseph knew that he wanted to someday go to the same college where his father had gone to school. He also hoped that someday he would be a physician.

Today, Joseph is part of a three physician group working in Canajoharie, New York. He and his wife Cindy (a graduate of Sweetbriar College) have four daughters; Anne (8 years), Jennie (6 years), Joey (4 years), and Marie (18 months). Joseph and Cindy recently purchased an old farmhouse on 90 acres of land in upstate New York. A true "country doctor," Joseph frequently cares for his Amish neighbors who arrive at his home on horse and buggy, bringing a gift of a loaf of freshly baked bread. He loves the rural setting and says "its a great place to raise kids."

After graduation from BCC in 1977, Joseph went to Binghamton University where he pursued a degree in Physics. He liked the subject, had a strong aptitude for it, and, since he had completed nearly all of his pre-med requirements at BCC, he felt that physics would be a good "fall-back" position if he didn't get into medical school.

A solid background with good grades at BCC and Binghamton University earned him a position in Albany Medical College, where he received a Doctor of Medicine degree in 1983. After a three-year family practice residency at St. Clare's Hospital in Schenectady, NY, Joseph served in the Emergency Room of St. Mary's, Amsterdam, for six years.

One of the highlights of Joseph's career was the time he spent working at St. Mary's in a clinic for the underserved providing pre-natal care for young mothers-to-be.

Joseph recalls enjoying his time at BCC. He says, "The teachers I had there were as good as I've had anywhere. I got good grades without having to compete with hundreds or thousands of other students for medical school, and I got a good education. It was a benefit for me to be home with my family while doing my undergraduate work. I worked at McDonalds' down the street from the College and I was able to save money. Many of my friends were friends I knew from high school — Ken Muny, Dean Hanson, Sharon Lupo. Those were good years."

Joseph's current schedule is to work three 12-hour days per week which leaves him time to enjoy good country living with his wife and daughters.

Future plans entail "paying for college educations and weddings"!

Joseph Sinchak, M.D.

Exciting New Benefit for Alumni Association Members!

The Alumni Business Connection, a program developed with BCC Marketing students, offers Alumni Association Lifetime Members special discounts with businesses in the Southern Tier. The majority of participating businesses are providing 10% off retail for the products and services they offer.

Simply show your BCC Alumni Association Card to the business for your discount.

Future plans include using sales and marketing students to reach out to area businesses to increase involvement and to expand the service area for out-of-town alumni.

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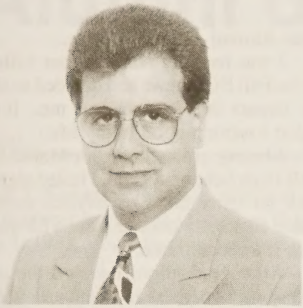

MICHAEL P. PAZZAGLINI (CT'76) has been a Broome County Legislator since 1991. He is on legislative committees for Charter Review, Inter-Governmental Relations, and Chairman for County Administration.

After completing his Chemical Engineering Technology degree at BCC, Mike was employed at Union Carbide as a chemical technician. Shortly thereafter, he went on to Potsdam College, where he received a B.A. in Computer Science in 1979. Upon graduation, Mike joined IBM in Endicott N.Y. as a computer programmer. He then went on to receive an M.S. in Advanced Technology, Computer Science from Binghamton University's Watson School of Engineering in 1984. Mike's current responsibilities at IBM include product management of the MUMPS/VM program product.

Actively involved in a number of civic and community activities such as working as a trustee and Vice-President of the Parish Council for St. Anthony's Church; Mike is also a member of Endicott's Unified Citizen's Committee where he chairs the Adult Center Site Selection Committee.

Mike and his wife Barbara live in Endicott, New York and have four children, Danielle, Julianne, Alexander, and Amalia.

ANDY KAVULICH (LA'66) was reelected to serve as a Broome County Legislator for the 12th District in November, 1992. Following his graduation from BCC, Andy attended Long

Island University where he graduated with a B.A. in History in 1971. In 1976, he completed an M.A.T. in Social Studies from SUNY Cortland.

Elected Village of Johnson City trustee in 1987 and 1989; he served his first term as a Broome County Legislator in 1990.

In addition to his civic responsibilities, Andy is also a Social Studies Teacher for grades seven and eight for Whitney Point Central Schools and is President of the Whitney Point Teachers Association.

MARY OLIVER EVANS (BU'87) is currently serving as Register and Recorder of Susquehanna County. Mary attended Mansfield University and graduated with honors from BCC with a degree in Accounting. She served as Deputy to the previous Register and Recorder for seven years. Mary is self-employed as a tax preparer and was former auditor of Hop Bottom Borough.

Mary is motivated by a commitment toward "a solid, community service-oriented work ethic at the office with the highest quality of service possible for the people of Susquehanna County."

Involved with a variety of local organizations such as the Cancer Society and Heart Fund, area Granges, and the Montrose Business and Professional Women's Club; Mary's record of community service reflects her basic values as a citizen of Susquehanna County.

Now serving her first term in this office, we offer Mary the very best of luck with her new position!

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Success Is... Answering Your Personal Call

Reverend James Meadows

"I graduated from Johnson City H.S. in 1975 with a great interest in chemistry but not really sure if I would even go to college. A friend recommend I try BCC and I was accepted into the chemical engineering technology program."

After receiving an A.A.S in 1978 from what James found to be a "challenging, interesting, and well-executed program"; he began working in the Eastern Kodak Company research labs in Rochester, N.Y. During the same time, he completed a B.S. in Chemistry from the Rochester Institute of technology.

In 1983, James and his wife sensed God's call into the ministry and five years later he received a Masters of Divinity from the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary. He has been serving as a Pastor ever since.

It has been my observation that my immersion in a technical field, for which BCC provided the foundation, has been a great asset to my current ministry. I find that I am able to relate much better to people from a variety of walks in life, probably much more so than your 'typical' pastor. My technical background and education enhanced my ability to minister to people in today's world....I am deeply grateful for my years at BCC".

"On one hand, it would appear that BCC did little to prepare me for my current work. But nothing could be further from the truth!" says Rev. James T. Meadows.

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SUCCESS IS... Never Saying Never!

Dear Alumni Affairs Director,

I was recently reading your editorial in the Fall BCC news and decided to share the impact that BCC had on me. It provided a turning point in my life.

I barely graduated from Maine-Endwell High School in 1963. I failed algebra, took no other math or physics courses, failed chemistry once and got a 65 when I took it a second time.

After graduation, I joined the army and spent two years in Vietnam, where I had plenty of time and incentive to decide if I wanted to do something different with my life. Returning from Viet Nam, I visited BTCC and learned about the Pre-technical Program, which took borderline students and eased their transition into regular degree programs. I entered this program in 1966. I later went on to enter BTCC's Chemical Engineering Technology Program and was fortunate to have outstanding instructors including Dr. Kushner, Mr. Stankiewitz, Mr. Fergus, and Mr. LoTempio. In addition to providing an excellent education, these instructors instilled in me a real love and enthusiasm for a field that was not natural for me.

After graduating from BTCC in 1971 with a degree in Chemical Engineering Technology, I joined Union Carbide and, while working full-time as a laboratory technician, I went on to receive my B.S. degree from Farleigh Dickinson University, summa cum laude. I then completed by M.S. in Chemistry and received a Ph.D. from New York University in physical organic chemistry.

I have approximately 60 patents and publications. This includes two books and one other in progress. I am chairman of a number of technical committees and have chaired a number of very successful international symposia.

I really feel that one of the major benefactors to whatever success I have had has been the background that I received from BCC. Without BTCC, my life would likely be on the scrap heap somewhere since I was certainly headed there fast.

Sincerely,
George Totten

Editor's Note: This is an excerpt from Mr. Totten's letter. The full document is being used as part of BCC's Orientation Program to encourage and inspire to our students! -DM

Alumni on the Move

1950's

Frank J. Kovarick (MT50), retired as a staff engineer from IBM-Owego on February 1, 1992. Frank lives in Endicott.

Elizabeth "Betty" Kelm Yankovich (MO53), and her husband are co-owners of Vestal Marine & Cycle. After graduation, Betty worked for Ansco until her marriage in 1954. In 1984, they purchased Vestal Marine, where they sell Yamaha motorcycles and Snapper mowers. Betty says "it's a long way from medical office assistant, but it's a challenge!"

Marilyn Besemer Dumers (MO54), has relocated to Paradise, CA.

Dr. Alan N. Taylor (CH54), formerly professor and chairman of the Department of Anatomy, has been named associate dean of research and advanced education at Baylor College of Dentistry, in Dallas, TX. He is also serving as interim chairman of the newly formed Department of Biomedical Sciences. A Baylor College of Dentistry faculty member since 1976, Dr. Taylor holds an M.S. and Ph.D. from Cornell University.

Robert R. Whitney (ET55), first recipient of the Broome Community College Citizenship Award in 1959, is an Episcopalian lay chaplain to the Fireman's Association of NYS and several fire departments. In addition, Bob is a fireman and member of the fire police. He is a member and officer of the Colonie Elks Lodge. Bob and his wife, Patricia Barlow, have five children and eleven grandchildren. He is employed with General Electric as an electronic specialist and lives in Colonie, NY. Bob has served as a lay reader in the Episcopal Church for 31 years.

Frederick W. Holden (ET57), retired on January 1, 1992, from IBM. Since then, Fred has been active in barbershop singing. He is a member of S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., Binghamton Chapter, and sings bass for the "Wild Irish Rogues" barbershop quartet, which appeared in Binghamton's St. Patrick's Day parade, BC Pops on the River and Endicott celebration parade, this past year. Fred also enrolled in the Broome Community College "Standup Comedy Workshop" and appeared at the BCC Comedy Club Show, in March, 1992.

John A. Bagg (ME58), retired after 28 years from IBM as a staff engineer. Since 1986, John has owned and operated "JB Signs", a sign business in Windsor. He is also a part-time employee at the Sheltered Workshop as a manufacturing engineer. John has four children and seven grandchildren. Two of his children now attend Broome Community College, Sharon Campbell-Bagg, a full-time student, and Loa Noyd, an evening student. Sharon and Loa, each have two children.

Judith Noyes Gerrie (DH59), has started a new career, "moving up from teeth to eyes". She passed the national examination for opticianry and is a certified optician and a Fellow of the National Academy of Opticianry. Judy was recently honored by Lenscrafters as one of nine Sales Heroes in the U.S. Judy and her husband, Jim of 32 years, live in Palos Verdes, CA and have two grown children.

Ellen Ambra Karan (DH59), works in special education for Unified School District in Morgan Hill, CA. Ellen is married to **Lawrence F. Karan (MT60)**. They have two children, Larissa, who is studying sociology at the University of Santa Cruz and David, who is majoring in music. Larry is a nuclear engineer instructor for General Electric in California. Larry spent 2 1/2 years in Taiwan and has "had excellent opportunities after leaving Broome Community College."

1960's

Connie Vitanza Katusak (MT61) is pursuing her degree in education with a major in history with one year to go! Connie is married to **Robert G. Katusak (MT61)**. Bob is operating a 25-30 horse ranch just north of Austin, TX. He grows his own hay and loves being in the agricultural business! Bob is retired from IBM after 27 years in the technical field. Connie and Bob have four children (three married) and two grandchildren. A daughter is completing her B.S. degree.

Nelson Franchak (CH62), has established an import-export business called "DABIN" Corporation for the purpose of establishing trade agreements with Poland to market a variety of merchandise including T-shirts. Nelson is married to **Mary Ann Franchak (RN87)**, who is a first lieutenant in the US Army. Mary Ann was formerly employed in the Broome Community College Health Office.

Wendell Bachman (CH62), is a college instructor for Front Range Community College/Larimer Campus in Colorado. Wendell teaches automated systems in robotics. He lives in Estes Park, CO.

George J. Iocco (CT63), is chief estimator and engineer for Paul Vitale Contruction, a diversified company doing a variety of site work including paving, excavation and hauling. George and his wife, Joanne, have a daughter, Kristen, who is a senior at Potsdam State College and a son, John, who is a high school freshman, active in soccer and the Auburn High School marching band. George is in involved in the Auburn, NY community as director for the United Way for five years, board member and past president for the Auburn Soccer League, volunteer of the Auburn High School Music Boosters and active with the American Diabetics Association.

Watson W. Brock (PE64), and his wife, Lore M. Dietrich of Binghamton, have a son, Preston, who attends the University of Texas and a daughter, Michelle, who is a graduate of the University of Texas. Watson is president/engineer of TIPS of Austin (Techniques of Industrial Product & System).

Vern W. Ingraham (CT68), is a senior associate marketing director for upstate NY offices (Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Albany) for Malcolm Pirnie, which is an environmental engineering and science business.

Dr. Michael L. Koltz (LT68), and his wife, **Aileen Vaccarino Koltz (CH81)**, met on a Greyhound bus, while both were going home to visit Binghamton on a snowy winter day. Mike had begun his medical training while Aileen was working as a registered nurse. Mike had graduated from Syracuse University. He later served as an orthopedic resident for the Medical College of Ohio and as an emergency resident for St. Vincent's in Toledo and St. Lukes. He is currently serving as an emergency physician. Aileen graduated in 1967 as an RN from Binghamton State Hospital which had several nursing classes on the "Broome Tech" campus. She became surgical head nurse at New York University Open Heart Unit. Later, she was a nurse anesthetist at Roosevelt Hospital, an affiliate of Columbia University. Since then, Aileen has been working in anesthesia, private duty chemotherapy and home care nursing. Aileen remembers BCC "as a wonderful school, a friendly warm place with wonderful teachers who really cared." Today, Mike and Aileen live in Maumee, Ohio with their three children, Michael Thomas, sixteen, Lauren, thirteen, and Peter, eleven years old.

Joseph J. Slachta (MT68), is a mechanical engineer with Magnavox in Fort Wayne, IA. His wife, Nancy Ann, is a buyer and merchandising manager with a chain of swimming pool, patio furniture, and christmas supply stores. Their son, David Charles, a sophomore at Indiana University, is majoring in criminal justice and psychology. Daughter, Angela Kathleen, a seventh grader, is majoring in socializing!

William R. Hasley (BT69), and his wife, Barbara live in Seattle, WA with their daughter Lona, fourteen, who is a middle school student. "Bill" has served in the United States Army for 21 years. He is presently a personnel sergeant and a veteran of two conflicts, Vietnam and Desert Storm.

Jerome D. Varsik (ET69), was recently promoted to the position of chief of materials engineering, space and sea systems, at United Technologies Hamilton Standard. He graduated this past June from RPI with a masters degree in business administration. Jerome and his wife, Barbara, reside in North Canton, CT with their two children, Debra and David.

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Richard A. Schrader (BT70), has accepted a two-year appointment by

In Memoriam

Mrs. Carol Ann Ricciardi Clark (BT '61) of 309 Windemere Road, Wilmington, North Carolina, died Sunday, October 4, 1992. Carol Ann spent her nearly 29 years of married life raising five children. She was everybody's friend and an avid tennis player. She courageously fought cancer for five years. Her doctor wrote, "She was the bravest, toughest, kindest person I have known.

Carol Ann is survived by her husband James William Clark, three sons; Michael, Robert and David; two daughters, Christine and Ann Marie; and a granddaughter, Kayla.

Memorials in Carol Ann's honor may be made to:

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On November 26, 1991, **Mr. Stevens Simons (ES '64)** of Reston Virginia, died of a heart attack. Stevens is survived by his wife **Carolyn Rush Simons (DH '63)**; a son, Steven who recently graduated from Elon College, North Carolina; a daughter, Pamela; and a grandson, Jordan.

Following graduation from BCC, Stevens and Carolyn attended the University of Arizona where Stevens obtained the following degrees: 1966-Bachelors in Engineering Physics, 1967-Bachelors in Electrical Engineering, 1968-Masters in Electrical Engineering. He went on to Northeastern University where he obtained a Masters Degree in 1975 in Engineering Management.

Prior to his death, Stevens was employed as Vice-President and General Manager of Maxim Technologies in Vienna, Virginia.

Carolyn and Stevens met at BCC while Stevens was in line to pay a parking ticket. Carolyn's friend (...because Carolyn was too shy!) asked Stevens to BCC's Sadie Hawkins Dance. After that, Carolyn and Stevens got acquainted, began to date, and had 27 years of marriage together, along with many fine memories of BCC.

Friends can write to Carolyn at: 2276 Crow's Nest Lane, Reston, VA 22901.

Governor Ned McWherton of Tennessee to serve on the Advisory Council on Worker's Compensation. Of the seven persons chosen to serve, Richard was one of only three chosen to be employer representatives. The purpose of the state council is to implement some reform in the worker's compensation system in Tennessee. Richard and his wife, Pat, live in Chattanooga, TN, where he is personnel manager for Stainless Metal Products.

Theodore P. Koast (BT71), and his wife, **Celia D. Koast (BU86)**, recently moved back to the Triple Cities area after Ted's retirement from Columbia Gas Transmission in Westerville, Ohio. Ted was manager of human resources, for the Northwest Region, which covered the state of Ohio. They are currently living in Johnson City.

Cynthia Diener Bidwell (BT71) and **Bernard Bidwell (LA72)**, have lived in Annapolis, MD, for eleven years, right next to the Chesapeake Bay where they frequently go sailing. Bernie and Cindy have a six-year old son named Jason. Bernie works for the Illinois Research Institute of Technology.

Clair Sedore Ernest (LA72) and **James L. Ernest (BT72)**, celebrated their 20th year wedding anniversary, August 20, 1992. Jim will be retiring from the Navy in the near future. One daughter, Carin, is a sophomore in Kempsville High School and another daughter, Clarissa, is in her second year of nursing school. Clair and Jim are living in Virginia Beach, VA. Clair and Jim met while attending classes at BCC.

Terry Gurney-Lucas (CT74), is a kindergarten teacher in the Magnet Program at Gardner Town Schools in Newburgh, NY. Terry graduated before her mother, **Gloria Gurney (CC89)**, did, from Broome Community College. Gloria is a part-time family worker with Head Start. As a student at BCC, Gloria was on the President's List, in the Honor Society and was the second oldest in her class.

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James L. Hackett (BT75), has been re-elected to a seventh term of office as Town of Union Town Clerk in Endwell, NY. The four year term of office is from January 1, 1993 through December 31, 1996.

David V. Snover (BT75), has a position with Yankee Systems Inc. in Lynnfield, MA. David reflects "very positively about Broome Community College." BCC provided him with a choice to stay close to home and also gave him a chance to be accepted into 4 or 5 different schools. David, fundamentally believes in low cost education.

Edward Boncek, Jr. (LA75), is an attorney, practicing general law in Binghamton.

Donald F. Adams (LA76), is production manager of Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratory in Plattsburg, NY. Don graduated from Syracuse University with both a bachelor's degree in biology/chemistry and a master's degree in business administration.

Patricia D. Burns (CC76), is director and teacher of St. Catherine's Pre-School in Hillcrest. Her work involves the Parents and Children Together Program (PACT). Pat makes home visits to families in the Binghamton School District for screening, and also provides parent education.

Ronald Harting (CT76), is married to Patty Ryder of Susquehanna, PA. They have three children, Ben, 11 years old, Tim, 5 years old, and a baby girl, Victoria, born in October 1992. Ron is a senior project designer with O'Brien and Geer.

Roberta A. Vasilow (PE76),has been a senior manufacturing project engineer since 1991 at General Motors, North American Truck Platforms, Systems Engineering. She received her bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Clarkson University in 1979. She worked in Flint, MI for Chevrolet Truck Assembly from 1979 to 1991 in the plant engineering and maintenance departments. Roberta is also director of Buick Gran Sport Club of America, Michigan Chapter. Her husband, Wayne Ethridge, is a graduate of Auburn University in Auburn, AL with a BS in accounting. They met in 1990 at the Gran Sport Nationals in Bowling Green, KY. They were introduced by a mutual friend from Flint, who was also best man in their wedding. They were married December 27, 1992, in Flushing, Michigan and went skiing at Crystal Mountain in Thompsonville, MI.

Thomas E. Williams (LA76), is a real estate broker with Ammons, Pittman Realtors in Raleigh, NC. He recently retired as a major from the U.S. Marines. Tom served fourteen years in such areas as Granada, Beirut and Desert Storm.

Dr. Joseph P. Campbell, Jr. (PE77), is winner of the Oklahoma State University's Graduate Research Excellence Award. This award is given for research deemed as making a significant contribution to the discipline from among all the colleges of OSU. Dr. Campbell was honored at OSU's Fall Convocation Ceremony for his Ph.D. dissertation in electrical engineering, entitled Features and Measures for Speaker Recognition. It redefines the state of the art in performance for automatically recognizing people from their voices. Joe and his wife, Shawn, live in Ellicott City, MD.

Americo DiCamillo (BA78), and his wife, Mary Carn DiCamillo of Binghamton, have four children, Ann Marie, 12, Jessica, 9, Danielle, 8, and Daniel, 4 years old. Americo is vice-president of Andrew R. Mancini Associates.

Joilyn Slavin Hanley (LA78), is an agent with Allstate Insurance in Fountainvalley, CA. Joilyn and her husband, Robert Hanley have a son, Alex, 2 years old. She says "Hi" to all of her friends in Broome County!

Eileen "Edie" D. Hentcy (LA79), is a conservation organizer for Vermont Land Trust. Edie is living in Middlesex, VT.

Dr. Denis M. Kovalich (LA79), is a chiropractor with Associates in Chiropractic in Binghamton.

Julie M. Talarico (XR79), is a nursing home administrator with St. Luke's Presbyterian Nursing Center. Julie has a B.S. degree in health services management from SUNY Utica/Rome and has worked in various nursing homes for ten years. She lives in Hamburg, NY.

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Jo Newton Barlow (LA80), is currently working on her master's in social work at Marywood College. She received her bachelor's degree from Binghamton University in literature and rhetoric.

Susan O'Hare Bucci (BM80), is employed by the Broome County Legislature as Second Deputy Clerk. She resides in Binghamton with her husband Richard, who is the Republican Candidate for Mayor of Binghamton, and their three children Caroline, Elizabeth and Peter.

Thomas B. Crenshaw (MT80), married "Jeri" in 1989. Tom is a technician with Sandia National Laboratory in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Robert S. Dorko, Jr. (XR80), graduated summa cum laude from SUNY New Platz, May 1992 with a B.S. in business administration/finance and also received the "Wall Street Journal" Outstanding Student Achievement Award. He is chief radiology technologist at Mercy Community Hospital in Port Jervis, NY. Bob is married and has two children, ages fourteen and one.

Marie N. Petuh (BM80), has published *Broome Birds & Byways*, a 75-page book describing local nature areas, through the auspices of The Naturalists' Club.

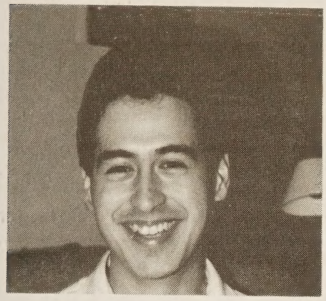
Gary C. Cromer (MT81), received a B.S. degree from Binghamton University in industrial engineering in 1989. Gary is an engineer at IBM Corporation.

Mark R. Wood (FS81), is a product service administrator for Allied Signal Aerospace Company. Allied Signal was formerly Bendix. Mark has 2 children, Joshua, three and half years old, and Adam, one year old.

Kathleen S. Johns Vonkorhorn (LA82), was formerly an administrative assistant for Merrill Lynch for three and a half years. She is now starting a new business in Vero Beach, FL. Kathleen has a two and half year-old son.

Mark W. Friends (CH83), has been working for General Electric as a senior technician in Madison, Alabama. GE sent Mark to France for a year and he is currently on a leave of absence, attending school in Harvest, AL.

Alan P. Kriesel (BA83), believed the quality of his education at BCC allowed him to transfer to Binghamton University, even into a difficult technical program, without a problem. In December of 1984



he received his bachelor's degree in industrial technology from the Thomas J. Watson School of Engineering at Binghamton University. His education has enabled him to work in a fairly high paying and interesting engineering position. Alan presently has 9 years of experience in electronics manufacturing. His education has enabled him to make contributions to this rapidly advancing technology and has instilled in Alan the desire to make education, a life long process. He continues his education by taking classes in software programs, attending technical professional organization meetings and learning Spanish. He has had nine years of experience in electronics manufacturing and is currently a quality assurance engineer with Multi-Amp Corporation, an international company that manufactures and sells electrical test and measurement equipment. Alan says "I am glad that my education has allowed my to maintain constant employment through these unstable economic times." Alan is a Mohawk Native American and resides in Irving, Texas, near Dallas.

Martin L. Mash (BA83), and his wife, Jamie, have two children, Nicole, 8, and Erica, 5. Martin is in the top ten percent in volume of sales for Matthew Bender and Company.

Rebekka E. Mateyk-Baker (LA83), is currently at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey, completing her M.L.S. (Master in Library Science). She was married last year to Jed Baker, an alumnus of Binghamton University. Rebekka said "BCC was an excellent place to start. Many of the instructors I had were excellent teachers and I have had many chances to compare."

Marjorie Schreier (BA83), executive director of the American Cancer Society, Broome County Chapter, was recently awarded the Executive Staff Award of New York State by the American Cancer Society.

Kurt Yungkurth (ES83), is working as a mechanical engineer for Aeromet, Inc. in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mark A. DiLorenzo (BM84), and his wife, Renee Clark, have a daughter, Taryn, 15, two sons, Adam, 13 and Mark, 2 1/2 years and "one on the way." Mark is a salesman with Matthews Pontiac.

Michael "Moose" L. Miller (MM84), is currently employed as client services manager for Video Monitoring Services in West Hartford, CT. "Moose" is engaged to be married to Jolene Carignan of Ashford.

Laura L. Beldis Weisz (SC84) and her husband, Dan, have 2 children, a six year old boy and a two year girl. Laura's husband works for Endicott Johnson. They live in Candor, NY. Laura worked temporarily for IBM.

Christine M. Kelly Zampi (CS84) and Michael A. Zampi (CH84) are the proud parents of Stephen Michael Zampi, who was born on the 4th of July 1992. Chris is a supervisor with American Express and Mike is a computer analyst with DuPont. They are living in Wilmington, DE.

Laurey W. Christian (LA85), is a nurse practitioner with T.O.P. Family Planning Program. She received her RN from SUNY-Regents College and her L.N.P. and OB/GYN credentials from University of Pennsylvania and Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Ann M. VanSavage (AAS85), received her B.A. degree from Binghamton *(Continued on page 16)*

WHAT'S NEW?

We would like to include your personal and professional achievements in our next BCC NEWS. News will be published as space permits, usually within two issues of receipt. Send all alumni news to BCC Alumni Affairs Office, PO Box 1017, Binghamton, NY 13902. Thank you!

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University and is now working on her master's program. Ann is director of human resources for Maines Paper and Food Services.

Sharon F. DePuy (PL86), is married to George DePuy. She has three grandchildren, Tanya, Ryan and Zachary. Sharon started her own business, DePuy's Desktop Publishing. She loves California, and teased "it's warm while you guys are freezing!!"

Mark S. Snyder (MT86), is married to Delyn Galbreath Snyder (RN89). They have a two year old child, Ashley and a baby, Zachary. Delyn works in kidney dialysis at Robert Parker Hospital and Mark is in relamping services with International Service Systems.

Holly L. Gould Strauss (BU86), received her bachelor's degree from Binghamton University in industrial technology. Holly is working in the health care field.

James A. Walter (MT86) and his wife, **Paula Janac Walter (CT86)**, have a son Nathan, 2 years old. They live in New Britan, Connecticut. Jim in a senior material planner with Pratt and Whitney.

Mark J. Agatta (BU87), is a merchandiser/buyer for J.C. Penney. Mark received his bachelor's degree from SUNY Binghamton in leadership and organizational studies. He says "say hello to Tom Rossi!"

Natasha L. Kabanek Benninger (OT87), is an accounting administrator with A & A Consulting in Binghamton. She has been employed with A & A since graduation. Natasha was married to Raymond Benninger in September 1991.

Susan E. Bush (LA87), graduated from the University of Scranton with a degree in communication.

Lindsey M. Howe (MT87), is a process engineer with Valeo's Clutches and Transmission in Hampton, VA. Lindsey graduated from Old Dominion University, in 1992 with a masters in electrical technology with honors. Lindsey lives in Newport News, VA.

Michael J. Picciano (ES87), is a electrical designer with Beardsley, Beardsley, Cowden & Glass, an architectural and engineering company. His responsibilities include many areas of electrical engineering, including lighting design, power distribution and CADD drafting. Some recent projects included the design of lighting and power distribution systems for Cayuga Savings Bank Office Buildings and Iroquois Job Corps New Dormitory Building; lighting calculations and fire detection system layout for Schuyler-Chemung-Tioga BOCES, Pittsburgh Air National Guard and Finger Lakes United Cerebral Palsy Educational Center. Mike received his bachelor's degree (1989), in electrical engineering from Clarkson University.

Penny C. Price (OT87), was recently promoted from administrative secretary to automations support specialist in the United States District Court.

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